ABSTRACT

The invention relates to an arrangement and method for implementing multi-casting in IP networks, in which multicast packets are transmitted by means of a multicast tree from one transmitter through several multicast controllers to several recipients. In the method at least one multicast tree intended for control messages is generated in the network from a network multicast controller to cell-level multicast controllers. The network multicast controller transmits along the multicast tree control messages to the cell-level multicast controllers. The control messages contain information on the network multicast and a command to connect to the network multicast tree intended for multicasts.

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